

Appropriations Summary

FULL TIME EQUIVALENT EMPLOYEES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.10	0.10
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Fire [010-3510]

ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

The Morgan Hill Fire Department, through a contract with CAL FIRE, provides fire department services and emergency response for the citizens of Morgan Hill. The City owns the two fire stations and all apparatus and equipment, while CAL FIRE provides the personnel. Core services provided include emergency response, community education, business inspections, and fire prevention. The department offers services from two fire engine companies and a third through an agreement with the South Santa Clara County Fire District, in which the City partially funds for staffing.

The Morgan Hill Fire Department's fire and rescue personnel work a 72 hour shift. Minimum staffing is nine line personnel and one chief officer. The Fire Marshal and EMS/Training Captain are available for additional response when needed.

Morgan Hill Fire Department utilizes the closest engine concept to respond to calls within the City's jurisdiction. In order to make this possible, Morgan Hill Fire works closely with surrounding fire agencies through Automatic Mutual Aid Agreements (Auto-Aid). Morgan Hill Fire currently has reciprocal Auto-Aid agreements with South Santa Clara County Fire District, City of Gilroy Fire, City of San Jose Fire and a Wildland Mutual Threat Zone (MTZ) Agreement with CAL FIRE for the areas in the City Wildland Urban Interface (WUI).

Section 17.8 of the current General Plan calls for the development and adoption of a Public Safety Master Plan. We are currently in the process of developing this study, which is scheduled to be completed later this year. The study is an in-depth look at the current services provided and the future plans for the region. Outputs will include proposals for the direction of regional fire protection for many years to come. Preparation and planning for the third City of Morgan Hill Fire Station will be included in this study.

FY15-16 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Expanded the fire explorer program
- Completed kitchen remodel of El Toro Fire Station
- Responded to 2460 public education contacts
- Performed 1305 business inspections
- Received a regional Assistance to Firefighters (AFG) Grant that funded a Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) fill station, Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) dryer, portable radios, radio consoles, and a PPE extractor
- Improved water conservation landscaping and irrigation at the Dunne Hill Fire Station
- Initiated the development of a Public Safety Master Plan
- Instructed quarterly public Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) classes
- Continued participation in the Emergency Operations Center (EOC)
- Maintained greater than 95% EMS response time standard based on County EMS agreement
- Trained and Recertified Police Department (PD) Staff to meet their Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) requirements in Emergency Medical Service (EMS) and CPR
- Updated City Map and shared map data with other fire departments

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- ## COUNCIL GOALS

Enhance Public Safety

- ## Enhance Community Engagement and Diversity

- Continue to be proactive in public education events and other events where fire services have access to public contact
- Explore opportunities to engage the community in the area of high-risk individuals and protecting the elderly in our community
- Continue to support local community groups.

- ## Supporting Youth

- ## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Fire service delivery is funded through the General Fund. In total, Fire services account for approximately 22 percent of discretionary General Fund spending.

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